

4333. Adulteration of ginger ale. U. S. * * * v. Julius Swiderski (Sobiesky Bottling Works). Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25 and costs. (F. & D. No. 5556. I. S. No. 1915-e.)

On June 5, 1915, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Julius Swidersky, doing business under the name of Sobiesky Bottling Works, Chicago, Ill., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on October 8, 1912, from the State of Illinois into the State of Indiana, of a quantity of ginger ale, which was adulterated.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Solids (per cent)-----	3.61
Nonsugar solids (per cent)-----	0.17
Sucrose (Clerget) (per cent)-----	2.70
Reducing sugars as invert (per cent)-----	0.74

Polarization:

Direct at 29° C. (undiluted) (° V.)-----	2.7
Invert at 29° C. (undiluted) (° V.)-----	0.8
Invert at 87° C. (undiluted) (° V.)-----	0.1

Coal-tar dye: None found.

Capsicum (La Wall): Positive.

Saccharin (Schmidt): Present.

Saccharin, approximately (per cent)----- 0.007

Organoleptic test: Ginger present.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a substance, to wit, saccharin, had been mixed and packed with the article of food aforesaid, as a substitute for sugar, so as to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect the quality thereof; for the further reason that a certain substance, to wit, saccharin, had been substituted in part for the article of food aforesaid; and for the further reason that the article contained a certain substance, to wit, saccharin, an added poisonous, [or] and an added deleterious ingredient which might render it injurious to health.

On December 21, 1915, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and on December 23, 1915, the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*